



## Spring Snowmelt Continues

**Do Not Walk or Drive into Flood Waters!**

# NEVER DRIVE AROUND BARRICADES

**Most flood fatalities  
occur in vehicles**

**12 inches of fast-moving  
water can sweep a car  
off the road**

ROAD  
CLOSED



[weather.gov/flood](http://weather.gov/flood)

### Message of the Day:

- Spring snowmelt is underway across western and central North Dakota.
- Keep an eye on rivers and creeks in your area.
- Overland flooding will develop in areas with significant snow depth.
- Keep informed using the web site resources found on the next page of this report, including a link to river stages and forecasts.

### Important Forecast Changes:

This is an informational Situation Report.



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**Report high water, flooding, and ice jams to the NWS  
and local law enforcement!**

### **Current River Stages and Forecasts from NOAA / NWS (with impact details):**

- <https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=BIS>
  - Hover over or click on the gauge points

### **NDResponse (North Dakota's Flood Preparedness Site):**

- <http://ndresponse.gov/public-awareness/flood-preparedness>

### **North Dakota State University (Additional Flood Preparedness Information):**

- <https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/flood>

### **FEMA Flood Ready (FEMA's Flood Preparedness and Action Site):**

- <https://www.ready.gov/floods>



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Do You Really Know  
How Deep the Water is?

12 inches of fast-moving water can carry away a small car.

6 inches of fast-moving water can knock over and carry away an adult.

18-24 inches of fast-moving water can carry away most large SUVs, vans and trucks.

WHEN FLOODED  
TURN AROUND  
DON'T DROWN



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### *Flood Facts:*

- **Hydrologic Outlook** – Used to heighten awareness of possible flooding in the next several days. The flooding could be the result of snow melt, heavy rain, ice jams, or a combination of these. If you have property in a flood prone area you might want to start preparing!
  - **Flood Watch** – Flooding is possible. It's time to prepare!
  - **Flood Advisory** – Nuisance minor flooding causing inconvenience but little if any impact.
  - **Flood Warning** – Impactful flooding is imminent or occurring. It's time to act!
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- Flooding can be caused by heavy rain, rapid snow melt, ice jams, and dam failure.
  - It only takes 6 inches of fast-moving water to knock you off your feet.
  - It only takes 2 feet of rushing water to carry away most vehicles.
  - On average, floods kill more people in the U.S. each year than lightning or tornadoes.



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Rivers at a glance: <https://water.weather.gov/ahps2/index.php?wfo=BIS>

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